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24 APR 1957


MEMORANDUM FOR: The General Counsel

FROM : Director of Security

SUBJECT: Polygraph Tests

1. The proposed draft of a polygraph agreement submitted by you has been reviewed. It is our feeling that a short agreement would be less likely to raise questions in the minds of a prospective polygraph examinee and it would make it easier to obtain a signature on the agreement if the examiner explained to the examinee the reasons for the use of the polygraph instrument as a protective device for the examinee and the Agency. In this connection, I feel that we should eliminate that part of your agreement which has to do with the Fifth Amendment, except for a statement that the examinee has been informed of his rights under the Constitution, but do feel that our agreement should be changed to read substantially that the employee does, of his own free will and without any compulsion, duress or promise of reward or immunity, agree to an interview with officials of the CIA. I feel that the inclusion of an understanding with the employee that any information developed by such interview will not be released by the Agency outside the government, except as may be required by due process of law, should not be included in the agreement. The inclusion of such a statement would tend to cause the employee to argue about the testing and may even cause a number of employees to refuse to take the test. It is suggested that this is covered adequately by the words "without reward or immunity".

2. Attached are drafts of agreements which I feel would serve our purpose and still meet legal requirements. Note that one is for employees and the other for applicants.

  
Spencer Edwards  
Director of Security

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Attachments:

2 - Agreements

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CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY  
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

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I, \_\_\_\_\_, an employee of the  
Central Intelligence Agency, after having been informed of my  
rights under the Constitution, do, of my own free will and without  
any compulsion, duress, or promise of reward or immunity, agree  
to an interview with officials of the Central Intelligence Agency,  
during which I will participate in Polygraph tests.

I have read the foregoing and fully understand its import.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I PLACE MY SIGNATURE BELOW, THIS \_\_\_\_\_ DAY  
OF \_\_\_\_\_ 19\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
SIGNATURE

The above was read and signed in my presence this \_\_\_\_\_ DAY  
OF \_\_\_\_\_ 19\_\_\_\_.

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SIGNATURE

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**CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY**  
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

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I, \_\_\_\_\_, an applicant for employment  
with the Central Intelligence Agency, after having been informed  
of my rights under the Constitution, do, of my own free will and  
without any compulsion, duress, or promise of reward or immunity,  
agree to an interview with officials of the Central Intelligence  
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